

## News Review

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## Closed Monday

The News Review office will be closed on Monday, December 25. The office will be open Tuesday, December 26 from 2-4 and 8-10 p.m.

## State May Purchase Wetlands

by Virginia Beauchamp

A four-page description in the Action Agenda for the Maryland Department of General Services, designed for state Board of Public Works approval, raises hopes that environmentally sensitive acreage, including wetlands along Indian Creek beyond Greenbelt's western boundary will be saved. Nevertheless, the appearance of this item, a real property conveyance from a private owner to state control, currently raises more questions than it answers.

Among these is the timetable for action. According to the document, a letter of intent from the present owner of the property must be received ten days prior to a settlement agreement between the seller and the retail developer agreeing to develop a 78-acre parcel (the site which includes the Greenbelt Metro station and the western portion of the A.H. Smith tract). The final date for such a settlement is "no later than December 29, 2000." The letter of intent must have been filed ten days earlier, or by December 19 (last Tuesday).

## Agenda Proposal

According to the agenda proposal, which must go to the General Assembly for action in the 2001 legislative session, \$10 million would be authorized for the purchase of about 75 acres of land from Greenbelt Metropark, L.L.C. "for preservation purposes and to provide for and facilitate the development of the remaining lands of Greenbelt Metropark, L.L.C."

Besides the 75 acres so designated, the seller, owners of the A.H. Smith property at the south end of the proposed upscale re-

tail Metroland development, will be required to donate an additional 36 acres to the state for preservation purposes — for a total of 111 acres. The owners must also agree to remove "existing concrete debris" — known locally as the "cement mountain" — and to "appropriately grade and seed the area with natural grasses so as to once again serve as a filter area and flood plain for Indian Creek."

In justifying this acquisition, the document notes that it "provides the State with an opportunity to restore and preserve part of the Patuxent River watershed while allowing high end mix use development to be concentrated around a public transportation system (Metro station)."

Setting aside this environmentally sensitive land along the flood plain has long been a goal of the City of Greenbelt and of the citizens group known as Citizens for the Conservation and Restoration of Indian Creek (CCRIC). Former CCRIC chairwoman Kate Spencer had lobbied actively with the governor's office to assist in saving this parcel from development and further deterioration. The city, however, had asked for about 140 acres of land to be set aside.

The document makes clear that the agreement of sale is contingent on the approval of a conceptual development plan by January 1, 2003, for the remainder of the property. If such approval is not granted, the seller would be required to repurchase the 75-acre tract for \$10 million plus 5% per year carrying costs.

This condition became an issue at the December 18 regular

Greenbelt City Council meeting when councilmembers queried the need for such a buy-back. They were dissatisfied with the size of the acreage to be set aside. (See separate story.)

## Development Proposal Angers City Council

by Betsy Likowski

The Greenbelt City Council had a lot to say about the latest proposal for developing the land near the Greenbelt Metro Station. Late last week they learned the state Board of Public Works had approved a proposal for developing the land and preserving 111 acres of land. At the council's next chance to air its views publicly, the regular council meeting on Monday, December 18, it did so. The at times heated discussion took up about an hour of a very full city council agenda that was to take until after midnight to finish.

After forthright and blunt comments from some members of council, the decision was made to send a letter to the Board of Public Works. The letter asks that settlement on this agreement be deferred until greater city and public input is possible and asks that there be a meeting with public officials. The letter lists council's concerns about the proposal: the end-of-the-year timing, which allows little time for citizen input; deficiencies in the agreement; and the condition that Metropark LLC be required to repurchase the land if no conceptual development plan is approved by January 1, 2003 be decoupled from the agreement.

See METRO LAND, page 14

## Council Seeks EDC Input To Attract Economic Growth

by Judith Ransom Bell

At a city council work session on December 13, Joseph James, president and CEO of the Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation (EDC), gave Greenbelt high marks as a potential site for attracting the business community. With all members present, council discussed many facets of growth with James and his vice president for local economic development, Tim Wanamaker. Among business sites in Greenbelt they discussed were the Metro station and Beltway Plaza. Paramount to the discussion between the two groups was how best to collaborate and communicate with each other.

## Positive Image

James described Greenbelt as

a "well-run, amenity-rich community — with a positive image." He stated that he would like to see more office buildings, particularly in high visibility areas. James further stated that EDC has put together a high-tech council, bringing together many high-tech business representatives.

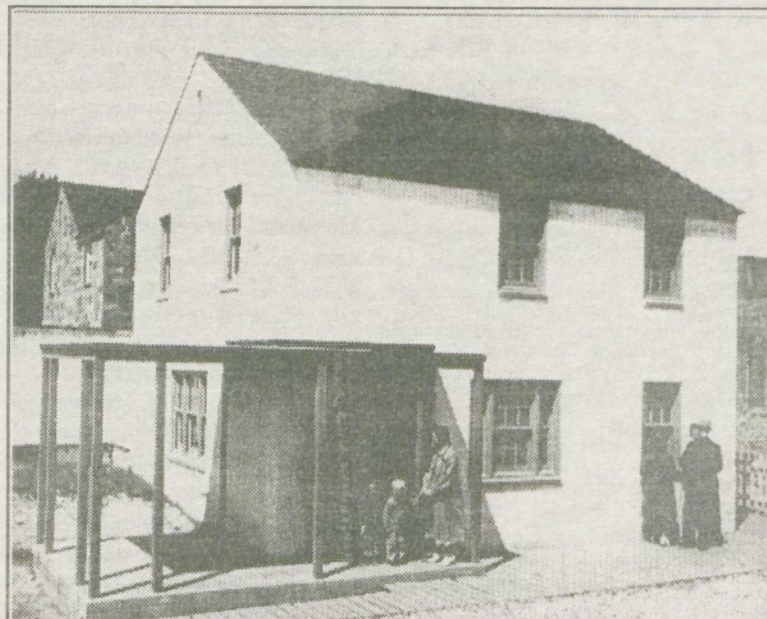
That group reports that they are looking for amenities such as a quality hotel, restaurants, recreation, and convenient accessibility to highways. "Greenbelt has all those things," said James, noting also that it's convenient to the University of Maryland.

Mayor Judith Davis reported that, within the office parks, the Maryland Trade Center seems to have a high vacancy rate and Capital Office Park a fairly low vacancy rate. The Golden Triangle still has sites available for building, she said, as does Capital Office Park. Mayor Davis stated that officials at Capital Office Park say they have had "no nibbles" and that it is difficult to market the site at this particular time.

City Manager Michael McLaughlin added that little to no growth in real property is being seen and that at Capital Office Park, for example, the property value is "essentially flat-lined." Councilmember Thomas White commented that one of the reasons for this situation is the image of the school system. "In an upper-scale office park you're going to attract professionals, and the image of the Prince George's County school system is not a motivating factor."

James noted that many high-tech businesses are growing so rapidly that many of them cannot wait for a building to suit and are looking for already constructed buildings ("spec" buildings). Mayor Davis commented that there is space in existing buildings, such as Commerce Center I, which has a whole floor free. James suggested that perhaps the city could send a note to EDC quarterly, letting them know what space is available.

See CITY COUNCIL, page 5



The model home on Acorn Court, in Greendale, WI, January 1938.

- photo courtesy Greendale Historical Society

## First Families Remember Trubulation in Greendale

Compiled by James Giese

(This is an article on the recollections of early residents of Greendale, Wisconsin, one of Greenbelt's sister cities. The recollections are taken from *Greendale Remembers, The Story of the village in the Voices of Its People* published by the Greendale Historical Society on the occasion of Greendale's 60th anniversary of 1998. Greendale lies Southeast of Milwaukee in what was farmland at the time. The typical house was a free-standing home located on a dead-end alleyway close to the road and other homes. However, there was also plenty of green space located around the clusters of homes. In this article, residents remember some of the tribulations experienced when they first moved in. Many deal with coal furnaces and coal bins which were located in each home unlike Greenbelt, where the coal furnaces were centrally located in the row houses and maintained by workmen.)

## Tribulations

We were one of the first families in Greendale. The roads were like pea soup — muddy, sloppy and not very much fun to drive through. We had a lot of

trouble with our sub-basements because they would fill up with water and then they would smell. We'd have to call the Village and they would come out with big hoses and pump it out and dispose of it. That was one of our little pains in the neck. But all in all we were pretty happy to be here. — Karen Erickson Fogelberg.

In the original Greendale government houses, which were made out of concrete (sic) block, we all had coal chutes. The only way that we could heat the place was to shovel coal in the furnace. Then, of course, we had to heat our water tanks. There was a smaller unit but you had to use about eight to ten small briquettes to heat it up. It was primitive living. Our street was Clover. They named them after animals, flowers and trees. Rent was about \$28 a month. — Dick Bergner

When Eleanor Roosevelt came through to see the homes she saw that there was no door on the coal bin! She said, "The first thing you do is get doors on the coal bin! You are not having children play in the coal and run through the kitchen and living

See GREENDALE, page 10

## Greenbelt New Year '01 A Hair-raising Holiday?

by Chris Cherry

New Year's Eve may be a hair-raising holiday for some people this year. Debra Nesbitt, one of the Community Center's artists in residence, will be hosting a "sculptural hair salon" during the Greenbelt New Year 2001 celebration. Nesbitt, who is both a sculptor and a hair stylist, will draw upon both areas of expertise to create extravagant and flamboyant hair-dos for party goers eager to become living artworks for the evening. "When I thought about Debra's unique mix of talents and combined it with the theme of an evening out, the idea of the sculptural hair salon

emerged," said Nicole DeWald, arts coordinator for the city.

Other Community Center artists will be holding open houses in their studios during the party. Elizabeth Morissette, a fiber artist who has created several banners for the celebration, said that she and the other artists are looking forward to the chance to greet the public and exhibit their work. Morissette's sturdy hand-woven bags, crafted from colorful strips of plastic shopping bags, have become popular holiday presents. Their appearance is reminiscent of woven rag rugs. Morissette calls them "neither"

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## What Goes On

Mon., Dec. 25 Holiday.

City offices closed.

Tue., Dec. 26 Holiday.

City offices closed.



## Letter

### Footbridge Is A Mistake

It appears that the Eleanor Roosevelt High School footbridge from Gardenway has been a mistake.

Its removal would be an improvement to the safety and quality of life in Old Greenbelt.

B. Sue Benson

### New Year's Eve Sans Politics

My family and I have enjoyed the New Year's Eve celebrations in the Community Center very much. The food, activities, and particularly the dancing in the gym all combine for a great evening.

The one glaring deficiency occurred at 11:45 last year, when the local politicians stopped the music and took over the microphone. Nobody I know had any interest in what they had to say, nor enjoyed their attempts at humor.

So I recommend that the music continue until a couple of minutes before midnight. Then the mayor can take the mike and lead us in a countdown to 2001. Ms. Mayor, please spare us from the rest of the crew.

Ted Bell

### Grieving Necessary When a Pet Dies

A pet is often a member of the family. The "man's best friend" brings to mind unconditional love, constant companionship and acceptance. Your pet can take you for a walk, listen when you need someone to talk to, even guard your house. A pet can also lower your blood pressure, change your heart rate or alleviate feelings of chronic loneliness. With your capacity to love your pet comes the necessity to grieve when that "best friend" dies.

The animal is a family member. With the death of that pet, the family experiences a loss. A difficult problem, however, is that society often denies you the need to grieve for your pet. Your family will probably be greeted, when your pet dies, with comments like, "It was just a dog," or "You can always get another one."

Your pet entertained, comforted, frustrated but always loved you. Remember those times. If your memories bring laughter, smile; if they bring sadness, cry.

The death of a pet is often the first opportunity parents have to help their children during times of grief. Parents often don't want to talk about the death, assuming that by not doing so the children will be spared some of the pain and sadness. Any child old enough to love is old enough to grieve. And many children love their pet with all their hearts.

For older adults, the relationship with a pet may be the most meaningful relationship they have left in their lives. When the pet dies, the experience may trigger old griefs from losses encountered throughout life. Respond with warmth and understanding and let them "teach you" about the special relationship with their beloved pet. When a pet dies,

you and your family must accept the need to grieve. The hurt must be embraced to be lessened. Be patient and tolerant as you slowly move toward healing.

Babajide James Cole

### Environmental R&D Firms for Metroland

While virtually all of us would love to see all of the Metroland site preserved, that is not a very likely outcome. The city should be proactive in its approach. I propose considering the following.

Just as Montgomery County has designated some development along I-270 for bio-tech, I'd like our city to consider designating Metroland for Environmental Research and Development. Greenbelt should be known as the city that practices what it preaches, the place to be to learn about the environment. Just as visitors from other areas of our country and around the world can learn about our history, so too, should those who wish to be employed in environmental studies know that Greenbelt is the place to be. Firms located at Metroland could actually assist Greenbelt in its efforts to demonstrate the positive and negative impacts resulting from ongoing and prospective development. And they could assist our Department of Planning and Development in preparing an overall, proactive plan for the city. The 2010 county area plan is not that far away.

As part of this overall development, there should be residences. The companies vying to locate at Metroland should give preference and provide incentives for employees who live in this area. Why? So that, consistent with Greenbelt's original goals, people will be able to walk to work, rather than use vehicles. Additionally, similar to requirements implemented in Alexandria, developers should be required to contribute toward mass transit so that those living in Greenbelt can take the bus to the environmental center. A by-product of this would be that environmental center employees could spend their lunch break this way: take a dip at the pool, get a bite to eat at the New Deal Café, and take the bus back to work. Those commuters would be exposed to the amenities of Greenbelt, and might consider moving to Greenbelt.

We need to develop a strategy for the next phase of discussion and negotiations. Greenbelters have been diligent advocates to deter development. Our city council has been, it appears, successful in securing moral support and funding from the governor to preserve some of the site's environment. Now, while the city still awaits a concrete proposal from the developer, we should set some concrete goals that we would want the developer to meet.

Konrad Herling

### Correction

In last week's story about Siri's Chef's Secret, the name of the chef for the Thai menu was wrong. The correct name is Jinda Amornkitwanit. The News Review regrets the error.

### MVA and VEIP Closed for Holidays

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) and the Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program (VEIP) will close all of their locations on Saturday, December 23 and also on Christmas Day, Monday, December 25. MVA offices and VEIP stations will reopen for business during normal hours on Tuesday, December 26.

### Immunization Funding Receives Big Boost

A year-long effort by Congressman Steny Hoyer to increase federal funding for childhood immunizations paid off December 15 when the House of Representatives approved a \$67 million appropriation for that purpose. That amount was \$47.5 million higher than President Clinton's initial request.

### MS Society Seeks Sign Language Help

The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is seeking a volunteer to translate American Sign Language for any or all of their events. They are also seeking volunteers living in Prince George's County to help plan an outreach event. To learn more about these opportunities, call Kelly Caughlin at 202-296-5363, ext. 626, or visit the MS website at [www.msandyou.org](http://www.msandyou.org).

## The Old Curmudgeon

### RETURNS



"What's your policy on elections?"

### Bus Stop and Shelter Moved 200 Feet East

A new bus shelter is in the works for a problem area opposite Greenway Center. City Manager Michael McLaughlin met on December 11 with State Highway Administration representatives to preview plans for the new structure.

The existing bus stop is located on a narrow islet between Greenbelt Road and the off-ramp of the Baltimore-Washington Parkway. For some time, the city council and citizens have been concerned about its safety. Now an agreement has been made to move the stop some 200 yards east, across from the AllFirst Bank, directly on Greenbelt Road. A pedestrian crosswalk will be marked, and there will be a pedestrian-activated signal light. The shelter to be built will be similar in design to the wooden bus shelters in various locations in Greenbelt.

### College Trust Offers MD Tax Deduction

Maryland is offering a last minute tax deduction to parents with future college students through the Maryland Prepaid College Trust. State residents who enroll a child in the Trust this year and make a payment before December 29 are eligible to receive a Maryland State tax deduction for this year. Plus they will be able to lock in current prices for their child's or grandchild's future college education.

For information on how to enroll there is a 2000-2001 Enrollment Booklet. It can be obtained by visiting the Trust's website at [www.prepaid.usmd.edu](http://www.prepaid.usmd.edu) or by calling toll free 1-888-4MD-GRAD.

The state will be contributing most of the cost, although a portion of the expenses will be borne by the City of Greenbelt.

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### City of Greenbelt Christmas/New Years Holiday Service Schedule

City Offices will be closed on:

Monday & Tuesday, December 25 & 26  
Monday, January 1st

The Greenbelt Connection will not run these days.

The Refuse/Recycling Schedule for the weeks of December 25<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup> will be as follows:

Monday's Route-Collected Tuesday

Tuesday's Route-Collected Wednesday

Wednesday's Route-Collected Thursday

Thursday's Route-Collected Friday

There will be NO appliance or yard waste collections on Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup>.

Appliance and yard waste will be collected on Friday, January 5<sup>th</sup>.

For more information call the Department of Public Works at 301-474-8000, the Greenbelt Connection at 301-474-4100 or visit Greenbelt CityLink at <http://www.ci.greenbelt.md.us>





## Last Day for Museum Gifts Is Saturday

The last day to purchase special holiday items with a Greenbelt theme will be Saturday, December 23, at the Greenbelt Co-op, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM) will have tote bags with images of the friezes on the Community Center, the collectible Cat's Meow wooden sculpture of the historic Greenbelt Museum house, and brass ornaments featuring a Christmas tree in front of the Greenbelt Theatre. All sales benefit Greenbelt Museum projects.

The Greenbelt Museum will be closed on Sundays, December 24 and 31. The Museum will reopen on Sunday, January 7, 1 to 5 p.m.

At a reception of the Governor's Task Force on the Preservation and Enhancement of Maryland's Heritage Resources on Tuesday, December 12, Maryland First Lady Frances Hughes Glendening presented FOGM president Sandra Lange with a ceremonial check for \$21,000. The funds will be used as part of the cash match for the newly created, full-time city position of Museum Curator and Director of Historic Programs. The event occurred at the College Park Aviation Museum. FOGM was one of 18 grant recipients in Prince George's and Montgomery counties.

Glendening commented that "Preserving our heritage is vital because it defines and unites us... Individuals and communities throughout Maryland for which heritage preservation is a priority are demonstrably richer in the quality of life they enjoy."

# Community Events

## Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

President Bill Souser presided over the December 13 meeting. Shep Odom led members in prayer.

Solange Hess, Hospitality chair, discussed the Christmas/birthday party and asked for volunteers.

Betty Petroff, Sunshine chair, sent a note of cheer to Mary Hooper. Ernie Varda reported that Joan Conway was hospitalized and notes of cheer could be sent to her home address.

John Taylor, Travel chair, announced that a trip to Kennedy Center is being planned for February 16. The group will leave Greenbelt at noon and return by 6 p.m. See the Travel Committee to sign up. The speaker was Mary Richards of the Baltimore Red Cross. The Red Cross needs volunteers for collecting, testing and distributing blood products. If interested in becoming a Red Cross ambassador, contact the Red Cross at 1-800-272-0094.

Ernie Varda reminded Golden Agers that every two months the Greenbelt Recreation Department has a blood drive. If able to donate, contact Janet Goldberg, 301-397-2208. Golden Agers who spoke of their experiences with the Red Cross were Ernie Varda, Leney Holhan and John Henry Jones. Watch next week's column for the happenings at the December 20 Christmas/birthday party. There is no meeting on Wednesday, December 27.

## Free Babysitting Course at CARES

Greenbelt CARES will offer the winter session of the free babysitting course on Wednesday morning during Christmas vacation, December 27, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the conference room, Municipal Building.

The course is free. Each student will receive a packet of materials to bring home. The course is targeted to teach young people in grades 5 to 8 the safety and responsibility issues of babysitting.

Parents and students wanting additional information and enrollment should call Greenbelt CARES Youth and Family Services Bureau, 301-345-6660.

## Police Youth Academy Enrollment Is Open

High school students ages 14 to 18 who want to know what it is like to be a police officer or who may have an interest in other areas of the criminal justice system can get answers by enrolling in the Criminal Justice Youth Academy. Offered by the Greenbelt Police Department, the classes run every Tuesday from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. for 12 weeks. Classes start January 23. Applications must be received by January 5. The application can be picked up at either the Greenbelt Police Station or the main office at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. There is no fee.

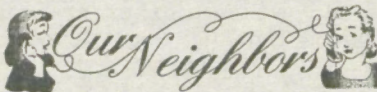
Academy students will learn about traffic laws, DWI, K-9 officers, narcotics investigations, search and seizure, forensics and more. They will also participate in traffic stops, arrest situations, self-defense tactics and building searches.

For more information, contact Cpl. David Buerger or Pfc. Marty Parker at ERHS at 301-397-2288 or online at ErooseveltCop@aol.com.

## Recycle Used Greeting Cards

The Greenbelt Recycling and Environment Advisory Committee has arranged for greeting card recycling. The cards will go to a charitable organization which will make new cards from them to benefit and support the organization. Backs should be cut off the cards; place the fronts in the box in front of the Co-op Supermarket which be available between December 27 and January 14.

Cards may also be mailed directly to St. Jude's Ranch for Children, 100 St. Jude Street, Boulder City, NV 89005.



Greenbelters were saddened by the death of long-time volunteer fireman and former Greenbelter Gilbert Wiser. Our sympathy to his wife Vera, and family.

We were saddened to learn of the death of longtime Greenbelter June Francisco, who lived for 40 years in 2 Court Northway.

Congratulations to longtime Greenbelters Tom and Shirley Dwyer, whose grandson Kellen Terrett has been awarded the rank of Eagle Scout, Boy Scouting's highest honor. Kellen, 17, of Eugene, Oregon, completed 23 merit badges and coordinated over 100 hours of community service for his Eagle project. His project restored 100 feet of wilderness hiking trail on Spencer Butte Mountain, located south of Eugene.

Seven-year-old Soraya Pracht of Ridge Road is the winner of "Kit," a doll that was raffled by the Friends of the Greenbelt Museum (FOGM). The holiday drawing featured the 1934-era doll, Kit Kittredge, the latest edition in a line of popular American Girl historical dolls. Soraya started collecting American Girl dolls last year.

Leonard "Drew" Wallace, III was born to Leonard and Holley Wallace of Maplewood Court on November 30, 2000. He weighed in at 9 lbs. 11 oz. and joins big sister Kelley Jo, 4.

## Four New Stores at Beltway Plaza

Beltway Plaza Shopping Center and Quantum Management Company have announced four new retail tenants at the Mall: Ashley Stewart, Leather Man, Athletes Foot and Teaming Up. These new stores join the Mall's current stores, including Target, Value City, Burlington Coat Factory, Giant Food, Marshalls, Sports Authority, AMC Theaters, and PetSmart. The new stores at the shopping center are the result of Quantum Management efforts to improve and diversify its retail offerings.

Ashley Stewart is a women's clothing store that specializes in large and plus size fashions for sizes 14 to 26. Ashley Stewart carries clothing for larger women from professional work clothes to casual styles, lingerie to stockings, coats, along with jewelry, handbags, hats, and scarves.

Leather Man is a specialty

leather store where all types of genuine leather products can be found at moderate prices. Leather Man sells jackets, pants and accessories such as handbags, briefcases, belts, gloves and wallets for men, women and children.

Athletes Foot specializes in a variety of shoes including cross training, jogging, walking and basketball. They also carry a line of Timberland shoes. Athletes Foot has state-of-the-art scanning equipment to determine the exact dimensions of a foot to provide perfectly fitting shoes.

Teaming Up specializes in different styles of baseball caps and women's hats. Teaming Up also carries a variety of sports jerseys.



## New Year Splash!

Enjoy the Spectacular New Year Fireworks!

Afterward join the New Year Revelers for dinner in the 'Cuda Cafe

Inside the Greenbelt Community Center

Sponsored and staffed by the

Barracudas

of the Greenbelt Swim Team

Savor Faridah's spicy sesame noodles, Knosh a New York style Hot Dog or Crunch a crisp salad

December 31, 2000

7 PM 'til 2001

Proceeds benefit the Greenbelt Swim Team

Membership info at [www.Greenbelt.Com/SWIMTEAM](http://www.Greenbelt.Com/SWIMTEAM)

## Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center Holiday Hours



Christmas Eve

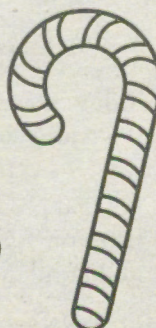
Sunday, December 24, 2000

8am-6pm

Christmas Day

Monday, December 25, 2000

12pm-4pm



Call 301-397-2204 for more information

## At the Library

On Saturday, December 23, Sunday, December 24 and Monday, December 25, all county libraries will be closed.

## MOVE IT!

The Recreation Department invites kids ages 6 to 16 to MOVE IT! This program of free fun over the holiday vacation gets kids off of the couch, out of the house, and on to their feet as they explore cool new ways to move and express themselves. On Wednesday, December 27, learn to move to hot Caribbean rhythms. On Thursday, December 28, learn some great moves from movie musicals. On Friday, December 29, learn some world grooves and moves. All three sessions are in the Community Center gymnasium from 11 a.m. to noon. Teachers from Joe's Movement Emporium and the Greenbelt Recreation Department will be on hand to lead the fun. Come to one, two or all three sessions. They're free!

## GHI Notes

GHI offices will be closed for the Christmas holiday on Monday December 25. For emergency maintenance that day call 301-474-6011.



## OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

Week of December 22

Friday

Tickets \$5.00 each film

**A Christmas Story**

5:15

**Miracle on 34th St. (1947)**

7:30

**It's A Wonderful Life**

9:30

Saturday

**Miracle on 34th St. (1947)**

3:00 @ \$5.00

**A Christmas Story (G)**

5:00 @ \$5.00

Tonight: Meet in person

Meet Karolyn Grimes who played Zuzu in

**It's A Wonderful Life**

Plus see the film program

starts at 7:30

All tickets \$10:00

Sunday

**A Christmas Story**

3:00 @ \$5.00

**It's A Wonderful Life**

5:00 @ \$5.00

Monday

**It's A Wonderful Life**

7:30

Tuesday

**Miracle on 34th St. (1947)**

7:30

**Singing in the Rain**

7:30

Croupier

9:30



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## OBITUARIES

### June Francisco

by Sue Krofchik

Former Greenbelter June Francisco died on Tuesday, December 12, 2000, of a heart attack, at her home in Tipp City, Ohio. She was 75 years old. Burial was in her hometown of Augusta, West Virginia, where she was a 1943 graduate of Romney High School.

She was named June because she was born on June 1. Her mother died when she was 10. She and her three sisters were raised by her father.

June and John Francisco were married in September 1945 and moved to Greenbelt in 1959. They lived in 2 court Northway for 40 years. They moved to Ohio in 1999 because of declining health and to be nearer their daughters.

Over the last few years June and John often said they were fortunate in that when one of them was sick, the other was well enough to take care of the other. After moving to Ohio, June suffered more strokes and John continued to care for her at home.

June and John Francisco were a devoted couple, like peas in a pod, who enjoyed doing things together at home and in the community. They were very active in the Greenbelt Baptist Church, where June was a deaconess and John a trustee as well as a member of the Building Committee, Hospitality Committee and Safe Haven program. Both June and John cooked and baked many a dish for church events.

They were also active in the Greenbelt Golden Age Club where Mrs. Francisco served on the Sunshine Committee. They enjoyed going on day trips and cruises. Mrs. Francisco worked for many years at the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center prior to retiring.

Other survivors include two daughters, Carolyn Mergler of Ludlow Falls, Ohio, and Beverly Caudill and husband Wayne of Dayton, Ohio, four grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, two sisters and many nieces and nephews.

Condolences may be sent to John Francisco, 135 Maxwell Court, Tipp City, Ohio 45371, phone number 937-669-5314.

### Gilbert E. Wiser

Former Greenbelter Gilbert E. Wiser, 83, of Odenton, died of a heart ailment on December 14, 2000.

Mr. Wiser, who grew up in Lanham, lived on Crescent Road for 50 years. He had been a member of the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad for over 40 of those years. In memoriam, a fire truck draped in black led the funeral procession to the cemetery.

He was an usher at St. Hugh's Catholic Church, where he was a member.

Mr. Wiser fought in the U.S. Army in World War II. He was a member of Greenbelt American Legion Post 136 and the VFW.

He retired after 46 years of working for the Penn Central Railroad out of Union Station.

His first wife, Rita, died in 1976. He is survived by his wife of almost 21 years, Elvera, daughters Mary Fran Crisman and Margaret McKenney, Greenbelt, Elizabeth Trotter and Barbara Olson, 15 grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. One of his grandsons, John Michael Crisman, is a paid fireman.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Hugh's Church on December 18. During the service Father Crowley referred to Mr. Wiser as the Mayor of Greenbelt. Burial was at Ft. Lincoln Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad.



Nativity Scene at Greenbelt Community Church.

-photo by Leigh Catterton

### Volunteers Needed For MS Project

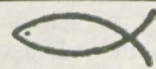
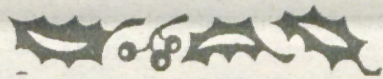
The National Multiple Sclerosis Society is seeking READaTHON volunteers who want to be involved with educating others about MS and who like working with children. The MS READaTHON is held from January through March. Enthusiastic volunteers are needed at local and surrounding schools to present the MS READaTHON kits to assemblies. The winter reading incentive program encourages children to raise pledges for multiple sclerosis.

For additional information contact Kelly at 202-296-5363 or by email at volunteerinfo@msandyou.org.

### New Folk Duo Sing At Paint Branch

Shanti Foster, who was raised in College Park and attended Prince George's County public schools, and Kathy Budway have just released a CD called "Time to Move On." To celebrate the task of putting together a CD, a free concert will be held at Paint Branch Unitarian-Universalist Church on Friday, December 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The church is located on Powder Mill Road in Adelphi. For directions to the church call 301-937-3666.



**Catholic Community of Greenbelt**  
**CHRISTMAS EVE MASS**  
**December 24, 6:30 P.M.**  
**Municipal Building**  
**No Mass on Sunday Morning, 12/24**

SERVE BREAKFAST AT SOME Sunday, December 31, 2000  
Meet at St. Hugh's School Parking Lot, 6:00 AM

Sunday Mass, 12/31, 10:00 AM  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING

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**Sunday 8, 9:30, 11 a.m.**  
**Saturday 5 p.m.**

Daily Mass: As announced  
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Rev. Thomas F. Crowley, Pastor  
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Part Time Ministry

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9:30 p.m. Pre-service Carol Sing  
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**Monday, Dec. 25**  
10:00 a.m. Christ Mass



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9:00 am Sung Eucharist for the 4th Sunday of Advent (interpreted)  
11:00 am Children's Eucharist for Christmas Eve  
10:30 pm Carol Singing with St. George's Folk Group  
11:00 pm Midnight Mass with Choir (interpreted)

Monday, December 25, Christmas Day

9:00 am Christmas Eucharist (a simple, said Service)



## COUNCIL

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### Taste of ...

In order to help restaurants attract more business, James suggested that EDC and the city might cooperate in a Taste of Prince George's County event. He commented that Greenbelt seemed to be "well off" in terms of numbers of restaurants, as well as quality.

Councilmember Alan Turnbull mentioned that the City of Greenbelt does not have an economic development staff person. He wondered what kind of relationship EDC strikes with other municipalities. James responded that the county has what he called LEDO, meaning local economic development organizations and that those localities have staff meet quarterly with EDC to share information. Mayor Davis commented that perhaps someone on the city staff could serve in that capacity.

James again mentioned that "new, existing buildings are very attractive to high-tech firms. We need to stimulate more speculative office development in Prince George's County, particularly in those areas that are in higher demand for the high-tech sector," he said. He went on to say that the state has been consulted about developing a "spec" building program with some sort of investment that the state might make. This would lower the risk for a lender and also lessen the burden for the developer in carrying a building that might be vacant for awhile. Councilmember Rodney Roberts opposed asking the state to take on the burden to ensure that speculative construction can go ahead, partly for the reason that it hurts sites such as Capital Office Park, which is seeking long-term tenants.

James replied that "if you want to capture high-tech firms, you can't simply rely upon them being willing to wait for you to construct a building for them."

Roberts shot back that "If a private developer or individual wants to put their money out in a speculative manner, that's their business, but don't ask me as a taxpayer to guarantee them profit if something falls through." James commented "On this matter, I think we have a difference of opinion."

White remarked that it is highly unlikely that a speculative building could be built because the available sites are under a covenant or other legal requirement that determines what type of building can be built. Davis stated that Greenbelt is not against development per se, but "we want it to be quality development. We have very high standards and we are very conservative about the environment."

### Show and Tell

Councilmember Edward Putens expressed interest in using the Four Cities — Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights and New Carrollton — as a pilot project for a "show and tell" type program to demonstrate what the communities are all about. James responded that he would like to cooperate in such an effort. He went on to explain that the Four Cities might be used to showcase companies and to begin exploring with them

## USDA Sponsors Food Drive

In order to help all people enjoy a more healthy and happy festive season, the United States Department of Agriculture is again sponsoring a food drive for 2000. The drive runs through January 5. Everyone is encouraged to think of those in need and drop off non-perishable food items where they see posters announcing the program. Two local supermarkets have agreed to help: Greenbelt Co-op, 121 Centerway, and Safeway at Greenway Shopping Center.

Donations will be collected and distributed to food banks and shelters in the Metro area. These organizations are always in need but especially at this time of year when demand is greater.

## Swap Shop Available For Trading Gifts

The Gift Swap Shop at Greenway Center is the perfect place to bring those not-so-perfect gifts. From December 16 to 29, shoppers are invited to bring their new, unused gift in original packaging, with a retail value of \$10 or more, and swap it for someone else's not-so-perfect gift. If nothing is appealing, people can opt to receive a \$10 gift certificate for the shops in the center.

There are some restrictions: the gift item must have a perceived retail value of \$10; perishable items such as food and florals will not be accepted; no holiday items (Santas, ornaments, etc.) will be accepted; only one gift exchange per day per person; and only one gift certificate per person throughout the entire promotion.

The Gift Swap Shop is open for a limited time Tuesday, December 26 through Friday, December 29, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily.

The Gift Swap Shop is a partnership between the shopping center's management company, Combined Properties, Inc., and Forestville High School. The public is invited to call the Gift Swap Shop hotline at 202-736-2899 for information.

ways "we could be helpful."

Davis stated that Beltway Plaza has been trying to attract quality stores and asked James if he had any ideas. Wanamaker stated that it is a "community discount type of mall, rather than a regional mall, partly because of the available square footage and the way it's formatted, so they really have to pull from a market that they can truly attract, such as Target," not upscale-type stores.

Davis asked James what his thoughts were on Greenbelt's opposition to construction of additional Capital Beltway ramps, with James replying that "there are signs indicating that you cannot get back onto the beltway, so people are discouraged from coming in."

Davis said she is "heartened" that EDC has grown from a one-man entity into a corporation. In closing, James stated that it would be helpful if the city council met annually with EDC. "I am optimistic and very excited about the prospects for the county," he said.



Santa makes his way over the rooftops near 228 Lastner Lane, where the homeowner

has set up a Christmas forest to celebrate his arrival.  
- photo by Leigh Catterton

## Santa at Greenbriar

by Laura Beckert

That crazy dude sporting the red garb was spotted in Greenbelt again! He felt right at home this past Saturday, December 16, as he visited the children of Greenbriar and Glen Oaks. Although the weather outside was wet and dreary, the Terrace Room was warm and cozy. Santa made a guest appearance in a room packed to capacity with children and doting adults. Santa visited with the children as he sat between a tall Christmas tree decorated in red, a wood stove with a blazing fire and the three lovely Miss Greenbelts.

It felt like Christmas already to many of the children. They received a free lunch with a toy, got a goody bag from Santa and also had the chance to win some door prizes. Some children had specific requests for Santa. A little boy named Nelson told Santa that he wanted a helicopter for Christmas (don't we all ... no more Beltway bustle), while others thought it enough to be in the

## Celebrate the Season at Nearby Riversdale

Six miles from the other White House is a 200-year-old mansion formerly inhabited by the Calverts of Maryland. That family's holiday season meant illumination from the light of dozens of candles, the music of harp and fiddle, the aroma of ginger and citrus in the air and a table set for a winter feast.

Riversdale House Museum hosts winter evenings December 28 and 29 from 7 to 9 p.m. Celebrate Christmas Past by visiting the decorated mansion. There will be live music, cos-

tumed interpreters, children's games, gingerbread baking and refreshments — all by the natural light of candles.

Riversdale was built circa 1801-1807 and was home to Belgian emigre Rosalie Stier and her husband, George Calvert, a member of Maryland's founding family. The Calverts were among the elite in the society of the new nation's capital.

There is an admission fee. Riversdale is located at 4811 Riverdale Road in the town of Riverdale Park. Call 301-864-0420; TTY 301-699-2544 for details.

## Santa Drives Zamboni

Santa will drive a Zamboni across the ice on Saturday, December 23 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Herbert Wells Ice Rink, 5211 Paint Branch Parkway, College Park.

The admission fee will include skate rental. For further information call 301-277-3719; TTY 301-699-2544; www.pgparcs.com.



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## Latke Man Mortman at Smithsonian Again

Greenbelter Milton Mortman will again participate in the Holiday Celebration at the Smithsonian Institution. Mortman will be demonstrating the making of potato latkes (potato pancakes) Tuesday, December 26 and Wednesday, December 27.

Potato latkes are a traditional Hanukkah dish and will be served with apple sauce. The demonstrations will take place from noon to 4 p.m. each day, at the National Museum of American History, Constitution Ave., 12th and 14th Streets, N.W. Washington, D.C.

The Smithsonian Holiday Celebration is a living exhibition of some of the many ways Americans preserve tradition and share their heritage. December ushers in four winter festivals — Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanzaa, and the New Year.

Other important holidays like

the Chinese New Year, are also celebrated nearby on the calendar.

The holiday celebration provides visitors with an opportunity to witness the ways this ethnically rich nation celebrates during festive times when families gather together to reaffirm their common heritage. The recipes, arts, and crafts featured in the celebration reflect the contemporary and centuries old traditions of creating special foods and artwork.

The museum invites the public to join in activities taking place throughout the building.

The holiday celebration is free and open to the public. It will be held from Tuesday, December 26, through Thursday, December 28, at the National Museum of American History; 14th Street and Constitution Avenue N.W. Washington, D.C.

## Petting Zoo Donates Plush Toys to Schools

Santa Claus is coming to five Prince George's County public schools for a one-day delivery of more than 3,000 free toys.

John Lizewski, owner of The Petting Zoo, one of the largest plush companies in the region, will donate toys during a ceremony to Springhill Lake, Bladensburg, Langley Park-McCormick, Glassmanor and Judge Sylvania W. Woods, Sr. elementary school students as part of his company's drive to give back to the community.

Maryland State Department of Education Associate Superintendent Richard Steinke and County Executive Wayne K. Curry are expected to join School Superintendent Iris T. Metts at the celebration at Judge Sylvania W. Woods Sr. Elementary School in Glenarden on Wednesday, December 20.



Menorah commemorating the eight days of Chanukah, this year celebrated from sundown on December 21 through sundown December 28.  
-photo by Mary Moien

## M-NCPPC Sets Holiday Schedules

The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's Department of Parks and Recreation in Prince George's County has announced its holiday schedule for facilities and programs during the Christmas and New Year's holiday weekends.

On Sundays, December 24, and December 31 and Monday, January 1, all community centers, nature centers, historic sites, house museums, and arts facilities throughout the county will be closed. Indoor pools, ice rinks, tennis bubbles, golf courses, the Prince George's Trap and Skeet Center, Fairland Athletic Complex, and the Prince George's Sports & Learning Complex will be open varying hours; please call ahead to confirm schedules.

All facilities and parks are

closed on Monday, December 25.

The College Park Airport remains open 365 days a year, according to Federal Aviation Administration regulations.

### Festival of Lights

The 14th Annual Winter Festival of Lights at Watkins Regional Park in Upper Marlboro is open nightly through January 1, from dark until 9:30 p.m. This free, drive-through light show features half a million bulbs lighting landscapes, holiday figures, and buildings. Donations of canned goods for shelters in the community or contributions for next year's light show are gratefully accepted. For more information about the Festival of Lights, call 301-699-2456, TTY 301-699-2544; www.pg parks.com.

## Photographers Sought

Christmas in April, Prince George's County is looking for amateur photography clubs to take pictures at some of the homes that they will be renovating. This year they will be repairing 103 homes throughout the county on Saturday, April 28. For additional information or to volunteer services, call Mary Kucharski at 301-868-0937.

## Crisis Volunteers

People can help themselves by helping others. The Crisis and Family Stress Hotline offers free skills training in basic counseling, communication, and crisis intervention. To help others by providing telephone counseling and referrals to those in need, call 202-223-0020. Training starts January 9.



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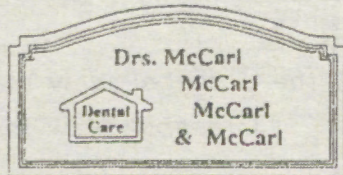
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Wednesday	9-8:30
Thursday	8-4
Friday	8-4
Saturday	8-11:30



**NEW YEAR**  
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bags, because that's what their owners reply when the cashier at the grocery store asks, "Paper or plastic?"

Down the hall from the salon and the artists' studios, The Elephant Titans will be creating new music for New Year's Eve. The Baltimore trio performs hypnotic, improvised soundscapes on original electro-acoustic instruments designed and built by band member Neil Feather. The Elephant Titans' performance, the sculptural hair salon, and the artists' studios open house will all take place from 7 until 9 p.m.

Having heard some brand new music for the new millennium, party goers can make their way

downstairs and dance the rest of the night away to the hits of the last few decades, played by D.C. Motors. They might stop along the way to make a video resolution in the television studio or sample the acoustic sounds of singer John Hill in the cabaret room, where the New Deal Café will be serving refreshments. The café itself will be open for business in Roosevelt Center, featuring guest artists Guys In Ties and Jacqui and Rachel. Party goers walking to Roosevelt Center can stop and add their own decorative touches to The Revelers, an outdoor sculpture commissioned for the event.

Across the mall from the café, the historic Greenbelt Movie The-

ater will host magician Eric Henning, and the Greenbelt Arts Center will present "Millennium Jukebox," a fun-filled show about a mysterious troubadour and his amazing jukebox, which plays songs from throughout the century. Entertainment and craft projects for children will take place at the Community Center, and teens will have their own fun

headquarters at the Youth Center. The celebration begins with fireworks on Braden Field at 6:45 p.m. and continues past the midnight countdown. Tickets and commemorative t-shirts are on sale now at the Community Center.

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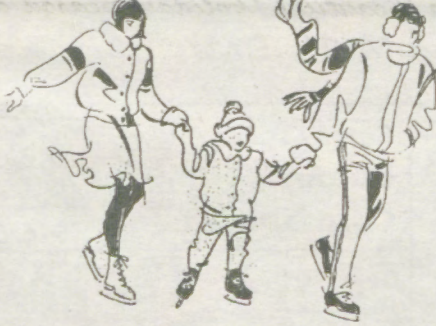
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**Saturday, Dec. 23-SANTA CLAUS ARRIVES BY ZAMBONI.** Santa is expected to arrive from the North Pole between 2:00pm-4:00pm and he will be handing out treats. Ice skate for the special rate of \$5.00 per person (includes admission and skate rental.)

**Weekdays, Dec. 26-29**  
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Skate Rental	\$4.00	\$4.00
Ice Rental	\$195.00	\$235.00

Schedule of Public Skating Session		
Holiday Schedule 12/23/00-1/1/01		
	Day	Time
Saturday	12/23	2:00pm-4:00pm
		4:30pm-6:30pm
		7:00pm-9:00pm
Sunday	12/24	10:30am-12:30pm
		1:00pm-3:00pm
Monday	12/25	CLOSED
Tuesday	12/26	12:00pm-2:15pm
		3:00pm-5:00pm
		7:00pm-9:00pm
Wednesday	12/27	12:00pm-2:15pm
		3:00pm-5:00pm
		7:00pm-9:00pm
Thursday	12/28	12:00pm-2:15pm
		3:00pm-5:00pm
		5:15pm-7:15pm
Friday	12/29	7:30pm-9:30pm
		12:00pm-2:15pm
		3:00pm-5:00pm
Saturday	12/30	7:00pm-10:00pm
		2:00pm-4:00pm
		4:30pm-6:30pm
Sunday	12/31	7:00pm-9:00pm
		10:30pm-12:30pm
		1:00pm-3:00pm
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## GREENDALE

(Continued from page 1)

room and get everything dirty. I am a mother. I know what can happen." So the first thing they did was put the doors on the coal bins. Later on, when people were finally allowed to buy the houses, they cleaned them out, painted or wallpapered them and made powder rooms out of them! That was great because the children didn't have to run up and down steps all the time. —Irene Kolltross

The government officials had no objection to families moving into their new homes a few days early. The three bedroom house at 5605 Arbutus Court had a garage which we used for storage as we did not have a car at that time. The house included refrigerator, electric stove, window shades, a furnace and a small stove in the utility room to heat water when the furnace was not in use during the summer time. The coal bin in every home held one ton of coal. A hot water tank was also furnished with the home. It was a great pleasure to move into a new, clean home with its new utilities. —Jim Kendellen

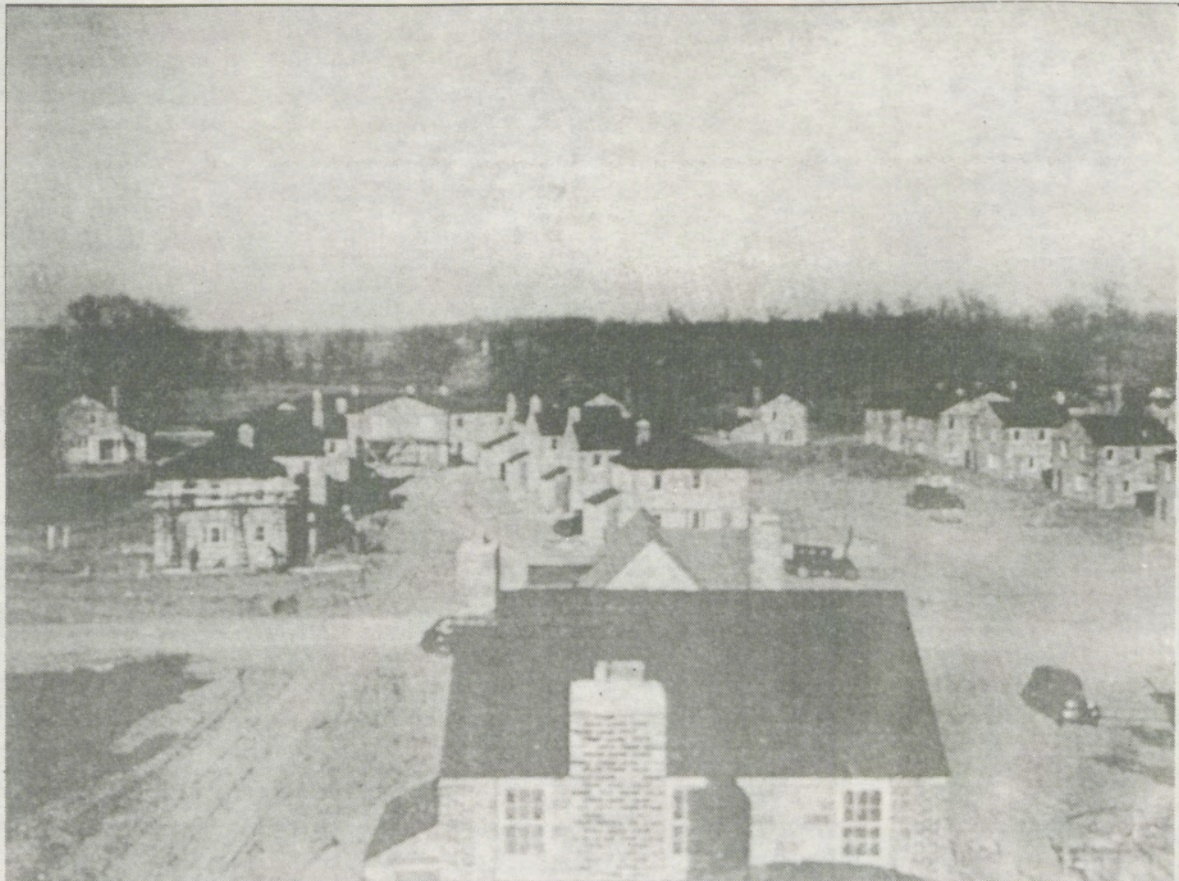
I came in 1938-39 to be in a NYA (National Youth Administration) camp which was run by the government to keep young people off the streets. The day they brought the group of us down, it was a cold, blustery day. When we got to Greendale we asked, "Is this where we are going to be?" It looked so deso-

late and it just kind of took the spirit out of us, I guess. When we got here we looked around a few days and then started to do some of the work the government had us do in the Village. We helped landscape a lot of the homes and we dug ditches and did weeding. I was nineteen or twenty years old. In 1944 we moved to Greendale on Balsam Court. —Al Stuner

We moved into Greendale in August or September of 1941. The neighbors came in with candles because at that time we had a wonderful underground electrical system that periodically went "kaput." So everybody had candles and it was sort of neat. I think we even used a camp stove once to cook! —Jack Hale

It was a shock to see the house with the funny sink! The sinks had no cabinets so all the pipes and drains showed. I really didn't like Greendale at first but inside of a week I loved it because we made so many friends — we were in a strange place. But there were a lot of things for the teenagers to do. It was a fun place. —Carol Ball Curtin

We were isolated. There was what, about six hundred homes? That was the Village then. People would come and look at the houses and they would be real bold about looking into your windows. Some would knock on the door and ask, "Can we walk through your house?" If you had relatives you were sure to have company every Sunday. To them it was going out into the country. We were pioneers?—Viola Biters



The view looking north across A section of Greendale, WI, during construction in January, 1937.



A single family house under construction on Apple Court in Greendale (October, 1936).



Eleanor Roosevelt touring Greendale, WI, during construction in November, 1936.

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## Local Artwork at U.S. Court

by Ellen Baer

A special boon to the local arts community is the extension of an exhibit at the Federal Court House until January 12 featuring works by 19 artists who live and work in Greenbelt. The exhibit, which is sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department in collaboration with the Prince George's Art Council is a diverse collection of media and styles. Included on display are paintings, works on paper, photographs, sculpture, ceramics and weaving. The Court House is an elegant setting for the art, which is on all four floors of the building. The circular floors allow viewers to see artwork across the way and down on the floors below. It can be viewed from 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Friday at 6500 Cherrywood Lane.

The artists come from many walks of life and reflect different facets of the Greenbelt community. Linda Uphoff is a long-time resident in Greenbelt, and taught art for 27 years at Greenbelt Middle School. Paul Hwang is a meteorologist at NASA. Shinyeon Jeon, who is exhibiting works in four different media, majored in Chinese ink painting in college. Several Art-

combines the elements of a palm tree with a creature that looks as though it belongs in a Florida swamp, also adds a touch of whimsy to the show, as does "Red Things" by Gina Mai Denn. The red things are playful squat ceramic vessels with a spiral on top with no particular purpose. At the same time their rich red color gives them a suggestion of elegance.

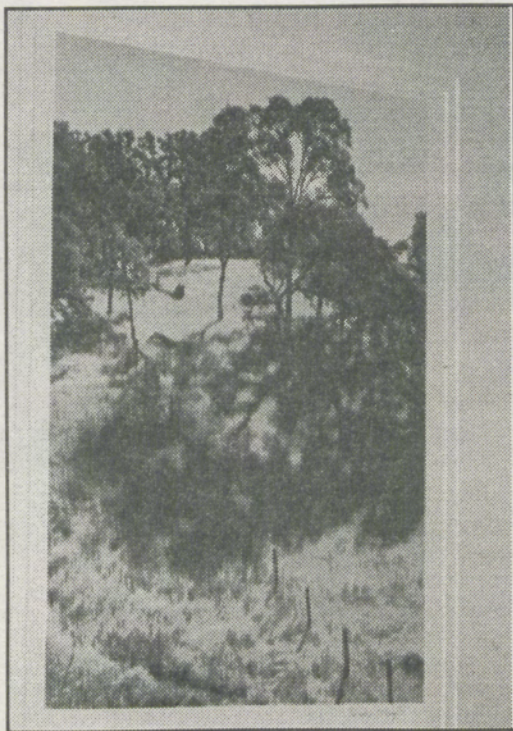
Other pieces create a sense of place and time. "Domes Letuva" ("Domes Lithuania"), a ceramic sculpture by Debra Nesbitt is reminiscent of the

time the artist lived in Lithuania, and of the many domes on Roman Catholic and Russian Orthodox churches there. Barbara Stevens began a series of paintings about the green landscape after she returned from the Southwest. In this series, representations of vegetation such as hedges or rows of trees are overlapped or juxtaposed with quilting patterns or abstracted images of the sky. In "Napoli Bay" Gary Cousin paints a quiet image of boats docked at a pier with mountains in the background of soft pinks and greens. Timothy Edberg's work uses photography to create simple and bold statements about landscapes whether in the mountains, the grasslands or the desert.

### Other Works

Other works relate to change. Ryan Dong and Jim Robertson transform places or objects by taking photographs from unusual views. Anastasia Marshak depicts trees in autumn colors in "Day Before Construction." The title foretells the destruction of the wooded area. Linda Uphoff also refers to change in her pieces that relate to the natural environment and to Native American culture.

Uphoff and others incorporate feelings of air and energy in their



U.S. Court House exhibition photograph by Timothy Edberg. -photos by Thelma de Mola

art. Barbara McGee creates tension twisting fabric of a sweater in "Red Pullover #4." Tom Baker, "Demons Cast Out," portrays Christ with a Byzantine halo, laying his hands on a kneeling woman with wild-looking demons drawn with dynamic curving lines in the background. Gwendolyn Aquilino uses cubist space to create the active piece, "Ode to Billy," where simple faces and stylized hands overlap with images of drums, string instruments, and wind instruments.

For more information about the exhibit call Ellen Baer at the City of Greenbelt Department of Recreation, 301-397-2208.

(Ellen Baer is the Arts Assistant for the Recreation Dept.)



Painting by Linda L. Uphoff

ists in Residence at the Greenbelt Community Center are represented including painter Barbara Stevens, weaver Elizabeth Morisette, sculptor Debra Nesbitt and painter and sculptor Dick Brown. Brown, who is a counseling psychologist, brings his profession into his paintings entitled Paranoid Personality Disorder 301.0, Premorbid and Paranoid Personality Disorder 301.20, Schizoid. In these pieces crudely drawn faces glow in phosphorescent green against a field of dark blue, creating a feeling of fear and uneasiness. Interestingly, the numbers in the titles are index numbers from the "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual IV," which is used by mental health professionals to diagnose mental illnesses.

### Whimsy

Some of the works are humorous, such as Morisette's woven rendition of Lady Bird Johnson, Eleanor Roosevelt, Nancy Reagan and Barbara Bush, entitled "Four First Ladies." Debra Nesbitt's ceramic "Two-Piece Animal" which



Oil painting by Shinyeon Jeon.

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| <b>BOXWOOD</b>                                     | Ivy and Lastner Lane<br>- Playground  | <b>GREENSPRING &amp; GREENSPRING II</b><br>-Southwest Corner of Megan Lane and Craddock Road<br>-Park area between 7926 & 8006 Greenbury Drive<br>-Corner of Spring Manor Drive and Springshire Way<br>-Open area between 6519 & 6515 Springcrest Drive   |
| <b>LAKESIDE NORTH</b>                              | Greenhill Rd & Crescent Rd.<br>(By Baptist Church)  | <b>BELLE POINT</b><br>-Corner of Vanity Fair Drive and Prince James Way<br>-Open area between 7800 & 7801 Vanity Fair Drive<br>-Open area beside 7962 Vanity Fair Dr.   |
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# POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

## Armed Robbery

6200 block of Springhill Court, Dec. 13, 8:24 p.m., a man was walking to his residence when he was struck in the back of the neck and fell to the ground. He then observed two people, one armed with what appeared to be a piece of metal pipe. The person with the pipe demanded the man's wallet and money. After receiving them, both suspects fled the area on foot. The victim refused treatment for a bruised neck. One suspect is described as a black male 18 years of age, 5'8", 160 lbs., with black hair and a mustache and a medium complexion; he was wearing a dark 3/4-length parka, dark pants, and a grey scarf over his face. No description of the second suspect was given.

## Assault

9300 block of Edmonston Road, Dec. 12, 11:40 p.m. a man used unknown means to enter his girlfriend's apartment. Once inside, he pushed the woman into a wall, injuring her neck and back. He then fled. The victim was transported to a hospital for treatment. Investigation is continuing.

## Drug

Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Dec. 11, 9:30 a.m., an 18-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana. A school administrator observed him walking down a hallway at the school when he detected the odor of marijuana. The young man was then found to be in possession of a quantity of suspected marijuana. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

## Violation of Ex-Parte Order

6100 block of Springhill Terrace, Dec. 11, 8:42 a.m., a 34-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with violation of an ex-parte order after an officer was flagged down by him because of a domestic dispute. Investigation revealed that he had been ordered by the district court to stay away from the victim. The man was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner. Investigation also revealed that the victim, a 23-year-old female resident, had left her two- and four-year-old children unattended inside the apartment. She was arrested and released on citation.

## Burglary and Theft

Blinds to Go at Beltway Plaza Mall, Dec. 8, 10:37 a.m., money was taken.

Green Ridge House, Dec. 8, 11 a.m., a wallet was taken from an unattended purse in an office.

6300 block of Ivy Lane, Dec. 8, 2:24 p.m., an unattended purse in an office was taken.

Ross Dress for Less in Greenway Center, Dec. 8, 8:39 p.m., purchased merchandise was taken from an unattended shopping bag.

38 court of Ridge Road, Dec. 9, 10:26 p.m., a television, VCR, jewelry, watches, electronic equipment, and cash were taken. Entry was gained by cutting a window screen and opening the window.

6300 block of Ivy Lane, Dec.

11, 10:01 a.m., property was taken from an unattended purse in a conference room.

Unit block of Crescent Road, Dec. 12, 7:33 p.m., a basement storage room was broken into. Nothing was taken.

T.G.I.Friday's, Dec. 13, 12:26 a.m., an unattended purse was taken.

Greenway Center, Dec. 13, 9:30 a.m., several Christmas trees were taken from the tree lot.

48 court of Ridge Road, Dec. 13, 9:49 p.m., money and credit cards were taken. Entry was possibly gained by way of an unsecured window.

## Vehicle Crimes

7600 block of Greenbelt Road, Dec. 9, a 41-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with theft. The victim stated that he was approached by the man as he was going into Reidy's Exxon to purchase gas. The man asked

the victim for money and the victim refused. As the victim was returning to his vehicle, he observed the man closing the door of his vehicle and fleeing on foot. He then discovered his wallet missing from the vehicle. The suspect was located a short time later in the 7500 block of Greenbelt Road and was positively identified by the victim. He was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

In reference to a 1998 Ford Explorer reported stolen November 25 from the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, the owner, a 30-year-old male resident, was arrested Dec. 13 and charged by Montgomery County fire investigators with arson and malicious burning in connection with the recovery of his vehicle.

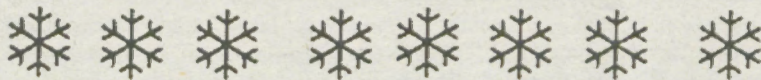
The following vehicles were reported stolen: a gray four-door 1998 Toyota Camry with Virginia tags ZBE 1533, Dec. 10, from the 7400 block of Greenbelt Road; a dark blue 1987 Toyota Camry station wagon with Maryland tags HHK 334, Dec. 11, from the 9000 block of Breezewood Terrace; a blue four-

door 1992 Cadillac Brougham with D.C. tags 200 LJV, Dec. 11, from the 7900 block of Mandan Road; and a black two-door 1985 Chevrolet Camaro with Michigan tags 354 QRE, Dec. 12, from the 7500 block of Mandan Road.

Vandalisms to and thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas: Beltway Plaza Mall, 9100 block of Edmonston Court, 9100 block of Springhill Court, 9100 block of Edmonston Road, and 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane.

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## A Review

Eleanor Roosevelt  
Winter Concert

by Dennis Jelalian

The Music Department at Eleanor Roosevelt High School gave a winter concert on December 14. Choral selections were offered first, starting with the Concert Choir, conducted by Judy Moore. They sang "Lullabye (Goodnight, My Angel)" and "Lollipop," the latter with the "pops" made by the singers sticking their fingers in their mouths and then popping them out again.

The Concert Band III, led by Paul Dembrowski, offered a classic overture, chant and gloria, as well as "Jingle Bell Rock." As the group's final piece, "Jingle Bell Rock" might have been expected to rock the audience, except that the tempo was a bit slow.

Both groups had some problems with pitch. However, the Women's Choir, under the leadership of Dr. Barbara Baker, sang with fine musicianship and good diction while performing "A Medieval Carol," "African Noel," "Away From the Roll of the Sea" and "May There Always Be Sunshine." Baker's work is marked by fine musicianship, good diction, and minimal directions.

The Symphonic Band, led by Sally Wagner, finished out the first half of the program in fine style with "Chimes of Liberty," "Eagle Band," and "The Great Locomotive Chase." Wagner always manages to find interesting music to do and she always gives it a good interpretation. This was especially true of "The Great Locomotive Chase," a Civil War epic that brought history to life. The piece was effective without being gimmicky.

After intermission, the Gospel Choir, conducted by Dr. Barbara Baker, took over. For the first piece "Praise His Holy Name," Baker accompanied the choir. For the next two numbers, "We Praise You for Who You Are" and "There's a Blessing in the Storm," the choir was accompanied by Brian Taylor, piano, and Donnie Lee, bass. Young Jared Lee filled in on drums. Jasmine Murrell, student conductor, took over when Baker sat down. All three numbers were filled with spirit.

The last place on the program went to the Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Scott Laird, playing "Variants for Orchestra" and the "L'Italiano in Algeri Overture."

## METRO LAND

(Continued from page 1)

The state Board of Public Works approves public works projects in the state. City Attorney Robert Manzi said he had never heard of the board re-voting on an issue. By the time council's letter gets there the deal will be done, he said.

This is "one of the worst land purchase agreements I've seen in my life," said Councilmember Rodney Roberts. It gives nothing back to Greenbelt and the community. He said he was looking for a commitment from the state on a conservation basis.

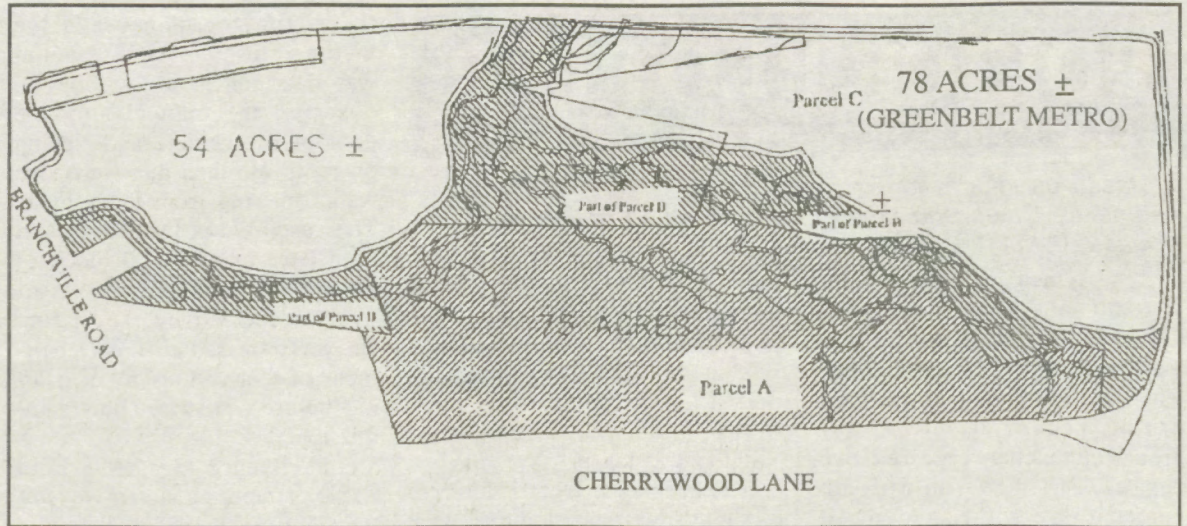
Councilmember Edward Putens said the proposal contained some of the weirdest conditions he had ever seen and called for a record to be kept of council's concerns. He said that preserving 111 acres of land was better than 75, but that council would want more land preserved.

Councilmember Thomas White said he wouldn't mind if this deal was thwarted. He declared it was a "stupid deal" and "baloney." This is wetland and undevelopable, he said.

Councilmember Alan Turnbull agreed that the land is highly undevelopable, saying that the land isn't going anywhere and council can be vigilant. He said the governor might respect us if we bring up our objections.

And what if the governor says he doesn't want to be bothered and washes his hands of this, asked Mayor Judith Davis. The land could be developed, she said.

Putens spoke after a period of heated discussion and proposed that the letter be worded in a polite way. He suggested the wording be along the lines of council appreciates the governor's



The shaded area on the above map marked Parcel A is to be acquired by the state if the action agenda proposal for the Maryland Department of General Services is consummated. Another 36 acres (shaded lines at 90 degree angle to Parcel A lines) is to be donated by developer. The unshaded areas are to be developed as Metroland.

effort and that he is looking at the Greenbelt/Berwyn Heights area, but it isn't enough in protecting all the fragile areas.

Davis retorted that she wasn't hearing that — that she was hearing "baloney" and "stupid." Putens replied that he is saying let's word it politely and that he was seeing some heads nod, so it can be said that way. Let's cool some heads, he said.

## Audience Comments

Barry Schlesinger complained that this is an issue of long time interest and that it came out at the worst time of year for public discussion.

Zelda Bell, co-chair of the Citizens for the Conservation and Restoration of Indian Creek, said she was concerned that some areas still were at risk, such as the amphibian breeding pond and the storm management pond. She asked if a road through the property is still planned.

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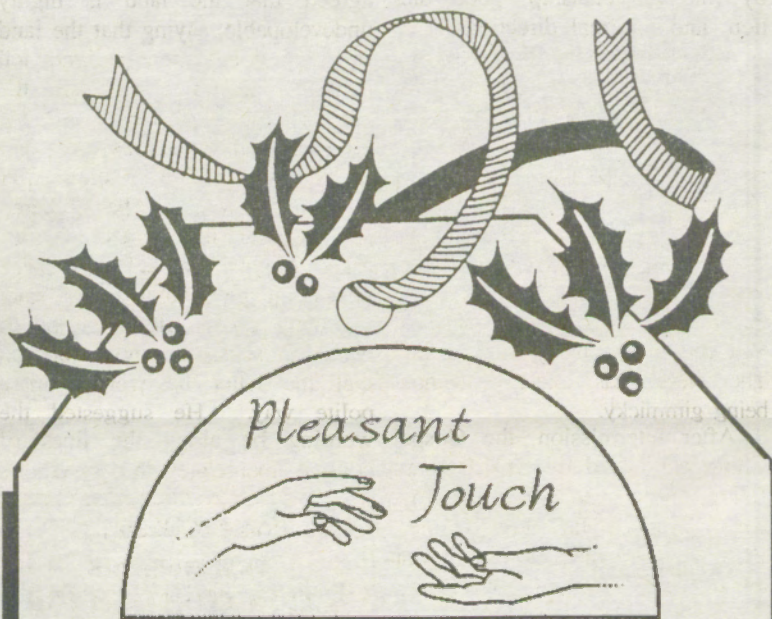
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